



The Life Changing Impact of the Expanded and Improved Child Tax Credit in KS-03

Rep. Sharice Davids voted to pass the American Rescue Plan, which increased the Child Tax Credit (CTC) and expanded eligibility to reach more families. The CTC now provides eligible families with advance monthly payments to help with the costs of food, childcare, diapers, healthcare, and more. Poor, working, and middle class families will receive up to \$250 per month per child, rising to \$300 per month for every child under the age of 6. The CTC is a critical measure to help families in KS-03 manage the expenses brought on by the pandemic.

77.6%

of children in the Third District of KS will benefit from the expanded and improved Child Tax Credit.

- That's **150,600 children**.
- **6,300 children** will be lifted out of poverty in KS-03 with the expanded Child Tax Credit.
- Families with children in poverty in KS-03 will receive **\$5,000, on average**.

45,100 households

in KS-03 are eligible for increased benefits from the Child Tax Credit.

\$2,700

is the average annual benefit for eligible households in KS-03.

617,900 total kids

in Kansas will benefit from the expanded Child Tax Credit.

- **21,700 kids** in KS will be lifted out of poverty due to the improved CTC.
- The child poverty rate in KS will **decline 39.75%** after expanding the CTC.
- **13,300 children** in KS will be lifted out of deep poverty with the improved CTC.

The best way to ensure eligible families receive accurate payments ASAP is to file a 2020 tax return by the **May 17 deadline**. Even if families experienced job loss during the pandemic or don't normally file taxes, they should file this year, as the IRS will use information from tax returns to calculate and issue advance monthly payments.

Families can get free help preparing and filing their tax returns by calling KCKCC VITA at 211 or (816) 474-5112.